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SUBJECT: UN STATISTICAL YEARBOOK

REF: A) STATE 32393 B) USUN 513

1. WE RECOGNIZE THAT UN STATISTICAL YEARBOOK FOOTNOTES
MAY APPEAR PRETTY ARCANE STUFF BUT WE MUST EXPECT THAT
FORMULATIONS NOW PRODUCED WILL CONSTITUTE
PRECEDENT THAT WILL REAPPEAR FREQUENTLY IN UN AND OTHER
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. WE URGE, THEREFORE, THAT
ALLIES CAREFULLY CONSIDER BOTH DELETION OF PHRASE
"PURSUANT TO RELEVANT AGREEMENTS OF THE FOUR POWERS",
FOR REASON DEPARTMENT HAS HIGHLIGHTED, AS WELL AS
UNFORTUNATE ASPECTS OF ASYMMETRICAL TREATMENT OF EAST
AND WEST BERLIN.

2. AS WE UNDERSTAND LATEST SYG "COMPROMISE," IT WOULD
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INVOLVE TWO FOOTNOTES, BOTH RELATED TO WEST BERLIN AND

FRG REPRESENTATION OF ITS INTERESTS--ONE AT BOTTOM OF
FRG PAGE AND GENERAL DISCLAIMER AT FRONT OF BOOK, TO
WHICH FIRST FOOTNOTE WOULD REFER. THERE WOULD APPARENTLY
BE NOTHING IN GDR SECTION TO INDICATE THAT THERE WAS
ANY CONTROVERSY WHATSOEVER ABOUT GDR RELATIONSHIP TO
EAST BERLIN. BERLIN PROBLEM, IN SHORT, WOULD APPEAR TO
BE EXCLUSIVELY ONE REVOLVING AROUND WEST BERLIN AND FRG
RELATIONSHIP TO WEST BERLIN.

3. MAXIMUM OUTCOME, OF COURSE, WOULD BE TO OBTAIN
IDENTICAL TREATMENT OF TWO HALVES OF CITY IN FRG AND
GDR SECTIONS. THIS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED EITHER BY
INSERTING FOOTNOTE ALONG LINES OF REVISION SUGGESTED
BY DEPARTMENT AND INCLUDING REFERENCE TO GENERAL
DISCLAIMER IN BOTH SECTIONS, OR BY HAVING CITATION TO
GENERAL DISCLAIMER IN BOTH SECTIONS WITHOUT FURTHER
ELABORATION. AT MINIMUM, HOWEVER, WE WOULD HOPE THAT
ALLIES COULD INSIST UPON AND OBTAIN FROM SYG FOOTNOTE
TO BERLIN STATISTICS IN GDR SECTION REFERRING READER
TO GENERAL DISCLAIMER.

4. IF LONG-FORM FOOTNOTES ARE TO BE USED IN BOTH
SECTIONS, WE MIGHT NOTE AGAIN POSSIBLE MISINTERPRETATION
THAT COULD ATTACH TO PHRASE "COMPETENT AUTHORITIES
(BERLIN 87)." "RELEVANT AUTHORITIES" MIGHT BE
PREFERABLE.KLEIN

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